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For Peak Performance

Why ZirChrom® Analytical HPLC columns?

pH Stability

- ZirChrom reversed-phase columns are stable from pH 1 to 14.
- pH ranges for ZirChrom ion exchange columns:

ZirChrom®-WCX: pH 1 to 10 ZirChrom®-WAX: pH 3 to 9
ZirChrom®-SAX: pH 1 to 12 ZirChrom®-SHAX: pH 1 to 12
ZirChrom®-PEZ: pH 1 to 10

Temperature Stability

- ZirChrom® reversed-phase carbon columns are stable up to 200 °C.
- ZirChrom®-PS and ZirChrom®-PBD reversed phase columns are stable up to 150 °C.
- ZirChrom® ion exchange columns have temperature limits ranging from 50 to 80 °C.
- **Solvent Compatibility** ZirChrom[®] columns have the stability of a polymer column without the problem of shrinking and swelling.

Unique Selectivity

- The unique surface chemistry of zirconia allows for mixed-mode retention of ionic analytes.
- ZirChrom[®]-CARB and Diamondbond[®]-C18 have radically different selectivities. The carbon layer on the particle surface provides high chromatographic selectivity for structurally similar compounds.
- **High Efficiency** The efficiency of ZirChrom[®] phases greatly exceeds that of polymeric and is comprable to that of a typical silica C18 phase.
- Longer Performance Lifetime The stability of the ZirChrom[®] phases ensures separation reproducibility.